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Re: Jan Bastiaan BOUWSTRA et al.
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Attorney Docket No. BOUWSTRA-3 Confirmation No. 6068
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EXPANDERS AND COMPOSITIONS SUITABLE FOR PLASMA
SUBSTITUTION"

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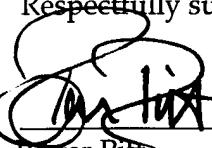
We enclose herewith:

- Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal;
- Amendment;
- Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant;
- Resubmission of Copy of James N. Purtell, et al.; "Isoelectric point of albumin: Effect on renal handling of albumin"; *Kidney International*; Vol. 16 (1979); pp. 366-376; and
- Fee Transmittal.

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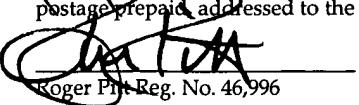
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Respectfully submitted,

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